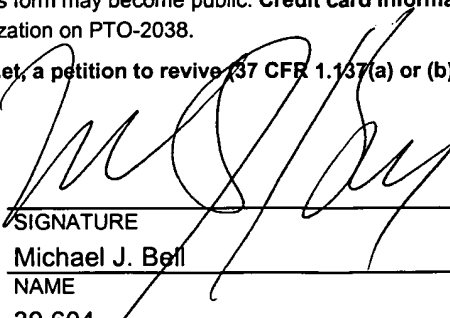


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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/DE2003/004118	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE December 19, 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED January 9, 2003
TITLE OF INVENTION Cabriolet Vehicle		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US EICHHOLZ Stefan, THEUERKAUF Jurgen		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
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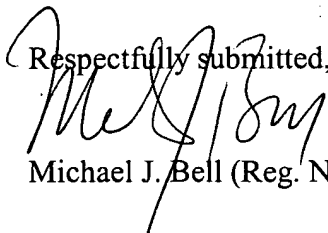
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6. Two return postcards.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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